

ance, May 31, 1717). **LOCAL OFFICES:** deputy surveyor, Somerset County, 1686/87; sheriff, Somerset County, 1689 (reappointed by the Protestant Associators, but declined to serve and was discharged), 1695–1698, 1704–1706; Lord Baltimore's collector of the tax, Somerset County, 1691/92; justice, Somerset County, 1694/95–by 1701 (quorum 1694/95–1695, chief justice by 1699/1700–by 1701). **MILITARY SERVICE:** captain, by 1686; major, by 1694; lt. colonel, by 1699; colonel, by 1705. **STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES:** strongly opposed Revolution of Protestant Associators in 1689 and refused to serve under the new government; returned to appointive offices by Gov. Francis Nicholson in 1694/95; charged in 1697 with malfeasance in office of sheriff but was ultimately vindicated; called a Jacobite in 1699; bequeathed 400 acres for the care of the poor children in Somerset County and Northampton County, Virginia. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** **LAND AT FIRST ELECTION:** ca. 3,100 acres in Somerset (later became Sussex County, Delaware, and Worcester County) and Charles counties (1,924 acres patented in Charles and Somerset counties, and 1,200 acres purchased from Attalanta Osborne, whom he later married). Whittington had inherited over 3,000 acres in Northampton County, Virginia, from his father, part of a total of 14,000 acres in Northampton County to which he held the patents; most of this land, however, was sold in the 1670s and 1680s. **SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH:** acquired by purchase 3,241 acres, 1694–1713; patented at least 4,750 acres, 1694–1723, and sold 3,089 acres, 1697–1715, including 924 acres which was deeded to a son-in-law for 5 shillings; all of these tracts were in what is now Worcester, Wicomico, and Somerset counties, and Sussex County, Delaware. **WEALTH AT DEATH.** **DIED:** between March 13, 1719/20, and April 11, 1720, in Somerset County. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** TEV, £1,340.9.1 current money (including 21 slaves, 63 oz. plate, gold and silver “in the house” worth £41.8.2, and a silver-headed cane); FB, £154.15.7. **LAND:** ca. 8,100 acres in Somerset County (now Worcester and Wicomico counties and Sussex County, Delaware), plus 2 tracts of unspecified acreage, one of which he patented with Charles Carroll on Cape Henlopen, and a tract called “Askiminie” (Askquesonne, Askecksy) on the Indian River (alias Baltimore River), the rights to which he assigned to Weacomconus, Queen of the Askecksy Indians in 1711/12. Apparently he regained possession of some of the tract by the time of his death.

WHITTINGTON, WILLIAM (ca. 1681–1756). **BORN:** ca. 1681, probably in Accomack County, Virginia. **IMMIGRATED:** ca. 1684, as an infant with his family. **RESIDED:** in Somerset County until at least March 1741/42; returned to Accomack County, Virginia, by February 1742/43 to live on a 400-acre tract at “Ockohonson.” **FAMILY BACKGROUND.** **FATHER:** *William Whittington* (ca. 1650–1720). **MOTHER:** Esther, daughter of Col. Southy Littleton (1645–1679) of Accomack County, Virginia. **BROTHER:** Southy (?–ca. 1773). **HALF BROTHER:** Smart. **SISTER:** Esther. **HALF SISTERS:** Tabitha; Hannah; and Attalanta. **MARRIED** Elizabeth (by 1698–1762), daughter of Elias Taylor (?–1717) and wife Comfort Anderson (?–1743) of Accomack County, Virginia. Her brother was Joshua (?–by 1743). Her sisters were Naomi (by 1698–?), who married first, Samuel Davis, and second, Joseph Stockley; Mary (by 1698–?), who married John Kendall; Hannah, who married James Wishart; Ester, who married first, William White, and second, John Williams; and Comfort (by 1698–by 1743), who married first, Solomon Ewell, and second, Charles Stockley. Her first cousin was Anne Makemie, who married *Robert King* (1689–1755). **CHILDREN.** **SONS:** Joshua (?–ca. 1764), who married Elizabeth, daughter of Robert Nairn (?–1764); William (by 1719–ca. 1740/41), who married Betty (Elizabeth) (?–1779), daughter of Robert Martin (?–1725) and Mary Downes (?–1774), stepdaughter of *James Martin* (?–1747/48); Southy (?–1790), of Accomack County, who married Ann; and John. **DAUGHTERS:** Elizabeth, who married (first name unknown) Ardis. **PRIVATE CAREER.** **EDUCATION:** literate, by 1705; by 1748 was signing documents with his mark. **RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:** Anglican. **SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES:** Mr., by 1712; Gent., by 1713. **OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE:** planter. **PUBLIC CAREER.** **LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Lower House, Somerset County, 1712–1714, 1716–1718, 1722–1724. **LOCAL OFFICE:** justice, Somerset County, 1713–1724/25. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** **LAND AT FIRST ELECTION:** 1,200 acres in Somerset (later became Worcester) County (400 acres inherited from his mother, which he had sold; 900 acres by purchase and 300 acres by patent). **SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH:** purchased 1,150 acres between 1713–1723; patented 824 acres, 1734–1736; inherited 575 acres from father, 1720; sold 3,465 acres, 1722–1748, which was probably all of his land in Somerset (now Worcester) County; acquired 400 acres in Accomack County, Vir-